

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6723
ANSWERED ON:08.05.2003
SPECIAL PARCEL TRAINS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways has introduced Special Parcel Trains using the shadow path of Superfast Trains;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the routes on which these trains are running;
- (c) the composition of the freight carried by these parcel trains;
- (d) the number of Special Parcel trains proposed to be introduced during the current year; and
- (a) the routes identified for running these special trains, zone-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA)

(a) to (c) : Railways have introduced Time Tabled Weekly Parcel Express trains. The details of Parcel Express trains running during 2002-2003 and their routes are given in the Appendix. The commodities carried by these trains include both perishable and non-perishable traffic.

(d) & (e) : Railways are constantly assessing the requirement for running additional Parcel Express trains. Additional services will be introduced based on traffic demand and availability of resources.

'APPENDIX' REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 6723 BY DR. N. VENKATASWAMY TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 08.05.2003 REGARDING SPECIAL PARCEL TRAINS.

Sl.No	Parcel Trains introduced during 2002-2003	Express Route	Date of Introduction
1	New Guwahati- Delhi Weekly Parcel Express train.	Delhi- New Mughalsarai, Patna, Malda, New Jalpaiguri, New Bongaigaon	14.07.2002
2	New Delhi-Howrah- New Delhi Weekly Parcel Express train.	Howrah- Kanpur, Allahabad, Mughalsarai, Gaya, Dhanbad, Asansol	02.08.2002
3	New Delhi- Bangalore- New Delhi Weekly Parcel express train.	Delhi- Agra, Jhansi, Itarsi, Nagpur, Balarshah, Secunderabad, Dharmavaram	23.08.2002
4	Lokmanya (T)- Guwahati- Lokmanya Tilak	Tilak Igatpuri, Nasik, Bhusaval, Nagpur, Tatanagar, Howrah, Malda Town, New Jalpaiguri,	08.10.2002

(T) Weekly New Bongaigaon
Parcel Express
train.

5 Chennai- Vijayawada, Visakhapatnam, 11.12.2002
Guwahati- Palasa, Khurda, Bhubaneswar,
Chennai Weekly Bhadrak, Khagragpur, Howrah,
Parcel Express Malda Town
train.